Santa Rosa County Emergency Medical System (EMS) Task Force Meeting September 21, 2000

Chief Reble, Chairman called meeting to order at 9:00 AM in Santa Rosa County Media Center.

Members Present:Members Absent:John E RebleBob MurphyDominic PersichiniBobby BusbyWes MatthewsBill MarkopoulosTony SimmonsDavid Burnett

Bob Minshull

Staff Present:Visitors Present:Sheryl BracewellJerry CoueyKay Martin

Dr. Manus Joe Diamond

Mrs. Bracewell requested to add to the agenda to review the requests for the AED's if time permits.

Chief Rebel stated they would add this request under item six on the agenda.

Mr. Persichini asked to add to give a brief demonstration of the AED to the EMS Task Force. He stated Joe Diamond was present to help and also to give some input because Joe was involved with first responders training. Joe is an EMT instructor at Pensacola Junior College and has been for many years.

Chief Rebel agreed to add this request under item six also.

The agenda was approved with the amendments.

The minutes of August 17th and September 7th meeting approved as submitted.

Tony Simmons asked if they had any data on the system status results.

Mrs. Bracewell asked to wait until next meeting because she did not have all the figures at this time, but would have the true figures by then.

Mrs. Bracewell distributed response time compliance report; analysis of emergency medical calls by fire district and response surveys.

The reports and statistics on fire reports and med calls were reviewed and discussed by the committee.

Chief Reble stated they were going to continue to do monthly reports and try to determine these statistics month by month.

Chief Reble stated that the discussion of the fire departments being urban and rural areas all reflects to the two-tier system and the average of calls at each fire department.

Chief Reble also stated that the first responders vary from department to department and the committee would have to evaluate the different areas and departments to determine how to save time for the first responders.

Chief Reble asked Dominic if he would chair a subcommittee to check the numbers for various calls in the urban and rural areas and report back to the committee as soon as possible.

Dominic Persichini accepted.

There was no correspondence for this month.

The committee reviewed and discussed fire department surveys.

There was discussion on requests for AED's and training required for the responders to use them.

The committee will recommend that the fire departments designate someone responsible within the department to respond to medical calls with the AED.

Mr. Couey asked if every fire department is aware of the meetings. He feels that if the committee is discussing their responsibility that they should be at meetings.

Chief Reble explained to Mr. Couey that the meetings are advertised each month and the meetings were open to the public. He also stated that the EMS Task Force has a web page.

Mrs. Martin stated that there were no minutes on the EMS Task Force Web Page since June meetings. Chief Reble said he would follow up on this.

Next EMS Task Force meeting was scheduled for October 5th at 9:00AM.